REMARKS

Claims 1-33 are pending in the present application and have been allowed. The present Amendment adds Claims 34 and 35, which depend from the allowed independent claims, Claims 1 and 16, respectively. The added claims correspond to Claims 10 and 26 of International Application No. WO 01/20622, from which the present application is a corresponding national-stage application. Support for the subject matter of Claims 34 and 35 may be found in the specification at page 16, lines 12-26 ("The classical structures of three-phase transformers and inductors with three columns are realized with E cores. . . Three-phase transformers and inductors can be realized by using three different cores (one core per phase) . . . With such an arrangement, the phase windings can be magnetically isolated if the cores are separated from each other by airgaps, or magnetically coupled if the cores are directly staked on each other. . . ").

Entry of this Amendment is believed proper, because the new claims are not believed to require further search and/or consideration, and therefore is respectfully requested. In a telephone call with Applicants' undersigned attorney, the Examiner indicated that she would consider the new claims.

CONCLUSION

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